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TWELVE PAGES.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1885.

If President CLEVELAND's courage has been questioned it will certainly not be questioned by any one who reads his letter on silver coinage.

BEFORE we can consent to support any of the Colonels for office, we must insist on knowing whether they support CLEVELAND's anti-silver letter. We do not propose to let any statesman get into a national office under false pretences.

An interesting part of the inauguration procession will be the disappointed spoils-hunting office-seekers walking twelve abreast, followed by the silver-bill Congressmen, and preceded by a banner with the motto, "We bless the hand that smites us."

The struggle over the horizontal tariff bill last year was not a circumstance to the impending struggle over the perpendicular silver bill. In this latter question the issue raised will be very plain and simple, and it will divide both parties, not horizontally, but perpendicularly.

The House at Jefferson City did not quite work itself up to the point of approving Doorkeeper THOMAS' methods of "hogging" a share of the lawful pay of his subordinates. But it refused to demand his resignation and accompanied its mild censure with a wink of sympathy and encouragement.

The Civil Service letter of President CLEVELAND, which chilled the patriotic enthusiasm of thousands of Democratic office-seekers, was a trifle compared with the letter on the silver coinage, which raises an issue in advance of the inauguration with the Democratic majority of this Congress—and of the next.

It is safe to say that all of CLEVELAND's Cabinet are with him in the very positive stand he has taken against the coinage of silver. This important question would hardly have been omitted from a discussion of the situation, and the Cabinet will be christened by the silver men before it is born, the "gold bug Cabinet."

We are in receipt of many communications from householders urging on the striking knitters the propriety of trying domestic service. There is sound sense and real kindness in these suggestions, but if any one succeeds in getting one of the starved knitters to work in a kitchen we shall be thankful for information of the event.

The item of \$10,000 in the appropriation bill for the support of the Board of Health was knocked out in the State Legislature yesterday. The Board was ridiculed and denounced as a nuisance in an avalanche of speeches. This leaves it decorated with a dunce-cap, but with nothing to live on but the code of medical ethics. It is in fact dead, and a burial permit should be issued forthwith.

The break in week yesterday shipwrecked two of the leading St. Louis gambling firms. We have no moral lesson to read against gambling in grain, but it is rather aggravating to our local pride, that whenever a St. Louis sucker goes to betting heavily enough to make it worth while for the Chicago sharps to gather him in, they gather him in and his bank account is transferred from St. Louis to Chicago with surprising celerity. The Samuel and Lewis failures are exact repetitions of the Fraley failure of a few months ago.

The motion of censure was adopted by a vote of 189 to 98 in the House of Lords and defeated by a vote of 302 against 298 in the House of Commons. This was such a close shave that the ministry may be tempted to resign and dump upon the Conservatives the responsibility of extricating England from the embarrassments of a situation in which their last administration involved her. By passing a redistribution act, dissolving Parliament and appealing to the new constituencies, Mr. GLADSTONE might obtain a stronger and a more homogeneous majority. But the entanglements and intrigues growing out of BEACONSFIELD's "jingoism" are just now beginning to bring fruit in Asia, Africa and Oceania, and the collateral complications in Europe and in the United Kingdom itself are so threatening a character that it would probably be a politic thing for the Liberal leaders to take advantage of a temporary flare-up of the national temper and let the Conservatives try their hands for a while.

ENGLAND pays a high compliment to the superior engineering and mechanical genius of America in obtaining from New York the pumping apparatus necessary to operate a pipeline across the desert from Suakin to Berber. The distance is 200 miles, and by making it traversable for troops and railway trains Berber can be easily reached from

the Red Sea, thus avoiding the difficulties of the Nile route of 1,300 miles from Cairo. The desert route from Suakin to Berber is level, but impassable, because utterly destitute of water. But it presents no such obstacles to a pipeline as have been successfully overcome in this country, where oil is pumped a much greater distance through pipes that must cross rivers and mountains. Besides the pumps, it is expected that the pipes will also be obtained in this country, where manufacturers have the experience and are prepared to furnish pipes fully up to the peculiar requirements of the service. With water tanks filled from a four-inch pipe of fresh water every thirty miles, a railroad to Berber and an easy route for troops and caravans will be opened, and England will be indebted to this country's "infant industries" for the triumph.

With a large majority in both houses, the Republicans of the Oregon Legislature have failed to elect a Senator and resolved to make no further attempt, believing that the Republican majority in the United States Senate will recognize the right of the Governor to fill the vacancy temporarily by appointment. A strict construction of the Constitution would limit the power of the Governor to the filling of unforeseen vacancies occurring from death, resignation, expulsion or such accidental causes during the recess of the Legislature. It is evident from the wording that the Constitution did not confer on the Governor the power of appointing pro tem Senators merely to enable a faction in the Legislature to transfer the choice of a Senator from the Legislature to the Governor, and if the admission of a Democratic Senator so appointed would now threaten Republican ascendancy in the Senate he would not be admitted. But at a time when the preservation of that ascendancy seemed to depend upon such action, the Republican majority in the Senate in the case of BELL from New Hampshire took the high ground that a Governor could temporarily fill any vacancy in the United States Senate from his State, and that a different ruling would conflict with the provision that not even by constitutional amendment shall any State, "without its consent, be deprived of its equal suffrage in the Senate." If the Illinois Legislature should adjourn to-day without electing a Senator, and Governor OULESS should appoint LOGAN, it is probable that both he and the Senator pro tem appointed by the Governor of Oregon would be seated by the majority of the present Senate.

THE WEEK ABROAD.
SIR RIVERS BULLER, who is at present in the most trying situation in the Sudan, although comparatively a young man, has had plenty of experience in savage warfare. He has been with General Wolseley in nearly all of his recent campaigns, beginning with the Red River expedition in Canada. He entered the army in 1856, and was first engaged in active service in the Indian mutiny. He served in the Ashanti war, and was also through the Zulu troubles, with Sir Garnet Wolseley and afterwards with Sir Evelyn Wood. He was also active in the campaign against Arabi Pasha, and it was in this service that he gained his promotion to the rank of Major General. General Buller is not only an experienced soldier, but he is counted among the bravest of men personally. His individual feats of valor have made him famous, and his saving the lives of three wounded troopers on successive occasions in the Zulu war gained him the Victoria Cross for his gallantry.

ENGLAND society has a deeper interest than usual in the outcome of the war in Egypt, because its pet regiment has been sent to reinforce the troops already there. The Guards is the crack regiment of the army, and contains in its ranks the blue bloods of the country. It is officered entirely by members of the aristocracy, and has acted as the immediate bodyguard of the Sovereign from the time of the Stuarts, and are considered the flower of the army. Their absence makes a void in society which is hard to fill, and it is reported that the pressure was so strong and the indignation so great when they were ordered out, that their departure was delayed fully twenty-four hours. If the Mahdi should happen to injure one of these high bred soldiers, he would create a panic in London.

The lot of a false prophet in Italy is not a pleasant one, as the case of a poor hermit who laid claim to possess the power of foretelling the future proves. This poor hermit lived near the village and was merely regarded as a holy and harmless crank until a former named Tozzi consulted him as to the proper manner to select for a lottery draw. The hermit happened to hit upon the proper three numbers, and the farmer drawing prizes the reputation of the hermit as a great seer was made. He was consulted by all of the peasantry in the surrounding country, who staked their possessions on his predictions. Tozzi lost all he had and had all he had by following the hermit's instructions, while his neighbors were reduced to beggary. When this result had been reached the peasants formed a mob and, going to the abode of their prophet, dragged him out, tore his limbs and, putting him in a barrel, threw him into the river, where he was kept on bread and water for three months before he was discovered. Ten of his persecutors have been arrested and are to be tried.

The Police Courts of London furnish innumerable phases of life and character and frequently incidents which are full of pathos, horror or romance. The report of a case at West Home illustrates the misery, degradation and heartlessness of the lower classes of English society. It was a terrible tale of sin and misery on the part of a child and of unfeeling hardness on the part of parents, who were really responsible for the child's depravity. A girl under sixteen, herself a mother, was arrested at the instance of her own mother for the theft of a shawl worth scarcely anything. The mother gave evidence against her own child, who was in the dock with a babe in her arms, and who, as soon as the story had been told, cried "Oh, mother! do forgive me this time!" The girl then cried bitterly, pleaded for forgiveness in the most heartrending manner, promising never to do it again if she was given another trial. The mother refused to forgive, and although she was urged by the magistrate to do so, persisted in her refusal, which was seconded by the father. Both of them, in spite of the pleading of the daughter, demanded her conviction and imprisonment. The magistrate declined to sentence her, but neither of her parents would have anything to do with her and cast her off entirely.

The King of Italy appears to have more of the elements of popularity in his constitution than any of the reigning sovereigns. The Prince of Wales, the Crown Prince of Austria and several of the other monarchs are disposed to court popularity; but of all the crowned heads King Humbert holds the fairest to the people and the ideal ruler who is always ready to relieve the distress of his subjects. His action during the prevalence of the cholera epidemic has been reported which illustrates how a monarch should behave in such a crisis. A shopkeeper named Manzoni was on trial before a

magistrate for riding over and injuring a little girl in the street, and the King, who happened to be a witness to the accident, volunteered to go in as a witness for the defense. He succeeded in clearing the man by stating that the horse was undoubtedly running away when the accident occurred.

In our transcripts, through the investigation of Prof. Cohn of the Breslau University, that the discovery of bacteria, which Dr. Koch has received so much honor, is not due to him, but to the naturalist, Leewenhoeek of Delft, as far back as 1683. He found these minute animalcules in food, and not only wrote letters about them, but sketched them for the British Royal Society. His letters have not been noticed, and since his time, a period of nearly two centuries, nothing has been thought of the discovery until Dr. Koch advanced his theory of the cholera germ, which has attracted so much attention from scientific men.

THE METROPOLITAN PRESS.
What the Editors of the New York Journals are saying To-day.
By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.
New York, February 28.—The World says: "If Mr. Cleveland's Cabinet is not yet complete, its character is already stamped and approved. The head is right, the body is strong and sound, and the people will accept the President's judgment in judgment of the President, who starts on his journey with such a splendid four-in-hand."

The Sun says: "Mr. Belford, who often amuses the House of Representatives, sometimes utters unpalatable home truths that touch the sensitive nerves of both Democrats and Republicans. He is a reckless rider, and does not seem to care who he offends. 'You are the President-elect, think that being a party,' said he, in the debate on the river and harbor bill, 'have seventy-eight majority in the House of Representatives, and yet you cannot get a quorum without the aid of the Republican leaders. How do you expect to govern the country in the next four years when you cannot control this House?'"

The Times says: "The published silver fanatics have succeeded in drawing from Mr. Cleveland a touch and candor and statesmanship which will give more satisfaction to sensible men than to their President-elect does the danger of the continued course of silver in a simple and straightforward manner that must appeal strongly to the common sense of the people."

The Tribune says: "Surely it will not be the fault of Mr. Hendricks if he is not inaugurated next Wednesday. At least he was bound to be on time for he arrived in Washington yesterday five days before he is wanted. Probably he will sleep in the Capitol Tuesday night so as to be in the Senate chamber promptly at a quarter before 12 the next day, when the Vice-President-elect will be sworn in on the ground floor, the fall of the ticket can be said to be done."

THE PEOPLE'S FORUM.
Points of Etiquette.
St. Louis, February 28, 1885.
To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.
Will the Post-Dispatch kindly give the much needed advice on etiquette which is being given to those in mourning to a reception, ball or any other festive occasion? What length of time should be spent after the dinner? How long should one receive such invitations? Also, what is meant in the etiquette society by the expressions "high tea" and "high noon"? And greatly obliged.

[We regret to say that the most eminent local authorities on etiquette acknowledge themselves unable to give a direct answer to the first question. As there is no fixed law of mourning it is, therefore, impossible to give any definite answer to the second question. As to the third question, it is impossible to give any definite answer to the fourth question. As to the fifth question, it is impossible to give any definite answer to the sixth question. As to the seventh question, it is impossible to give any definite answer to the eighth question. As to the ninth question, it is impossible to give any definite answer to the tenth question. As to the eleventh question, it is impossible to give any definite answer to the twelfth question. As to the thirteenth question, it is impossible to give any definite answer to the fourteenth question. As to the fifteenth question, it is impossible to give any definite answer to the sixteenth question. 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In most fashionable part of Pine street, north side; brick stable and all modern improvements.

CHAS. H. TURNER.
716 PINE ST.

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Houses built to suit on time payments, and some just finished that I will sell on the same terms. All new and

have built, and furnish the best of reference, etc.
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 T. P. MARLEY,
WHL. C. C. WRIGHT & CO.
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 Have For Sale:
 A magnificent double house on Pine st., 16 rooms, large lot and stable.
 See Washington av., in best possible condition, close location, and reduced to \$7,000, on account of owner's immediate term; keys at our office.
 See Washington av., 11 room stone-front; reduced to \$7,500 for quick sale.
 See Jefferson av., south of Park av., new stone-front arranged in two flats; lot 3x12½.
 204½ Wright st., a gem of a detached 7-room house; just sold; photographs at our office, \$5.00.
 The cheapest 3-story front in Vanvanderbilt place.
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FOR SALE—This place has space for more than 100 cars. It is located on Pine near 28th st., at bargain. California owner wants money.
Property in all parts of the country. Write for price and terms. Send no money. Obtain our new catalogue with revised city maps.

FOR SALE—Dwelling on 2d st. near Oak av. New York City. Large lot, with improvements. Call FARBER & CO., 624 Chestnut st., St. Louis.

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FOR SALE—Hotel on Washington av., between Elm and 14th sts.; known as Hotel Belmont. The hotel contains 150 rooms.

FOR SALE—Dwelling, on 2d st. near 29th st., three-story brick building, front and back porches, central heating and cold water, hard coal furnace, etc.; \$7,000 a bargain.

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2914 THOMAS ST. Fine arranged and well built house
2-story 7 room stone front at \$6,500.
BERGMANN & CORNET.
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FOR SALE—1822 Locust Ave. new water laundry, etc.
front dwelling, hot and cold water, 5-story, etc.
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Ewing aves. 3-story brick, with front, side and
rear porches, and all modern conveniences.
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house, fruit trees and small vegetable garden.
10 acres of ground for sale very cheap.
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Fine double slope-front, stiblo, corner; a lovely home
may term one of the finest situations in St. Louis.
Grand as usual.
Delmar, at home, Chestnut near Compton,
Delmar, at home, west of Vandewater, I can offer
very desirable house place.
Vandewater plain, I can offer 80 feet at the greatest bar-
gain ever had in the place, north side.
Leonard at home, south side, 90 feet, cheap.
A great bargain, corner Ewing and Franklin: noble car-
riage place.
Delmar and Waver's great speculation to build a row
block 35.
Improved property near 6th and Olive.
Any amount of money to loan.
Telephone, 301. 47

Main Street. For full particulars apply to
**M. R. COLLINS & CO., AGENTS,
623 Chestnut St.**

FOR SALE—House 1221 Chestnut st., three-story
brick house on 14th street, bath, gas, gas
water, central store on first floor. **Call**
\$7,500. **67**

FOR SALE—**KELLEY & CO., 103 Pine**

RARE CHANCE TO BUY A HOME

Near Lafayette Park 8 rooms, closets, etc., stone front,
separately heated, modern house very large, with
porchwood. Very favorable terms. Wm. S. Pope, Trustee
room 4, 414 Olive st.

FOR SALE—1209 S. 2nd St., 2-story 8-room
house, lot 25 feet front by 135 deep; inquire
at 1062 Walnut, in meat shop.

BUSINESS BLOCK FOR SALE

On corner of 10th and Race streets and Ewing
avenue, 117 feet on railroad by 101 feet on Ewing.
Call
WM. S. POE, Room 4, 414 Olive st.

Wanted.

\$5 PER MONTH for shorthand instruction at Martine's Shorthand College, 608 Olive St., established 1798.

J. I. SHERIDAN, 2608 Chouteau av., curve across from quarters in horse car.

WANTED cheap—B.M. hand strong lighted, second class heavy wagon. A.D. 344 this office. #11

FOR SALE—A full set of buggy wheels with spokes and tire. Silver plated plating, 10% off.

Cars, light and heavy wheels, wholesale and retail. Carriage builders, farmers, mechanics, or say one of our customers will give you the best price.

CARRIAGE REPAIR AND PAINTING DEPARTMENT. Painted and polished like new. Call on J. C. Clark, 311 First St. on old wheel, road tire, etc. C. C. Clark, 311 First Street, sole owner and manufacturer of Silver Plated Tires.

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FOR SALE—Cheap. B.O. wood, bottles, seats, shafts.

FOR SALE—Cheap, a pair of wagons; almost new. Inquire at 215 Harrison. 50

FOR SALE—Horse bought and sold on consignment. For City of Wm. Hagon. 512

FOR SALE—One dark brown mare, a handsome high and a Concord spring buggy and harness. For City of Wm. Hagon. 512

FOR SALE—On easy terms, horse, harness and a horse farm near Wm. Hagon. 512

FOR SALE—Horse and spring wagon suitable for peddle or delivery; will sell very cheap. Call at 215 Harrison. 512

FOR SALE—A covered grocer's wagon, at a bargain. Call at 215 Harrison. 512

FOR SALE—Park wagon in first-class order; almost new. \$500. See 512.

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FOR RUNNING—All kinds of business wagons, horse, harness, and shafts. Crutcher's patent-running gear, Sealed wagons for \$80; top buggies, \$100. See 512.

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calling at John King's Slaughter Factory, 202 Market st.
and 2011 Laclede av. 12

FARMS FOR RENT.

\$5 PER MONTH for shorthand instruction at Martin's
Shorthand College, 418 Olive st., established 1874.

DON'T BUY FURNITURE UNTIL YOU HAVE SEEN OUR BEAUTIFUL STOCK

THE SPORTING ADVENT.

The Season Coming in With a Big Boom.

The Meeting at Baltimore—A Good Outlook—Aquatic Notes—Diamond Chips—Ring Gossip—General Sporting Notes and Sundries.

The meeting at Baltimore on Monday promises to be perfectly harmonious and satisfactory, and the prospects are that the business in hand will be hurried through in brisk order. The basis of arrangement of the schedule will be the avoidance of conflicting dates in New York, St. Louis and Philadelphia, where both associations are represented. This was definitely arranged at the recent conference of the schedule committees. The clubs generally have a good sense of the folly of discussing the matter at length and generally accept the ruling of the committee as being the best that can be done all around. The League meeting will take place on the 6th or 7th proximo, probably at New York.

There is a very important matter which has to be settled in time, and that is the adoption of uniform playing rules. Why this has not been done before is a mystery and it seems strange that the associations working in such good harmony should be so decidedly opposed to each other in pitching and playing rules. This will always cause trouble and misunderstanding and should be the basis upon which the entire baseball fabric should stand. The members of all the world should allow the Maroon club to make their rules for them, and while this would not be desirable in the long run, it would be a concession of the two associations could be made annually that the rules could be adopted with the League rules but little to be done in changing the rules, but if any tinkering is done, it should be for the general good and service.

As matters get into shape for the season's opening it will be noticed that a great deal of party spirit is manifested on both sides. The League or Maroon has been making a great deal of brag about the fact that Manager Simons of the Athletic Club declines to arrange a series with the League or Maroon club, which under Harry Wright's really doubt for declining to make the series, and I doubt if the Maroon will be in the shape of a team. Certainly the games thus far played between League and American Association clubs do not do credit to either side. The Maroon has been making a great deal of brag about the fact that Manager Simons of the Athletic Club declines to arrange a series with the League or Maroon club, which under Harry Wright's really doubt for declining to make the series, and I doubt if the Maroon will be in the shape of a team.

This rivalry and discussion creates a great deal of feeling in St. Louis, and some ordinary cool-headed men make a great deal of fuss about it. The Maroon boys would win five out of the seven games with the Browns. The Browns would win five out of the seven games with the Maroons. The Browns would win five out of the seven games with the Maroons. The Browns would win five out of the seven games with the Maroons.

The New Orleans Regatta. The St. John River Club has been making a circular notice to the professional and amateur regatta to be held on Lake Pontchartrain, New Orleans, in May next, from which we glean the following information useful to intending competitors: The regatta will commence May 25, and will comprise two days' racing, and will be a grand affair. The events being as follows: For amateurs—Senior single shells, senior double shells, senior paired shells and senior four-oared shells. For professionals—Single shells, double shells and four-oared shells. No entrance fee will be charged. The prizes for amateurs will consist of elegant gold medals to each winner. Second prizes will be given to the runners-up. The prizes for professionals will be as follows: For singles, first prize, \$100; second, \$50; third, \$25. For doubles, first prize, \$200; second, \$100; third, \$50. For four-oared shells, first prize, \$500; second, \$250; third, \$125. The regatta will be a grand affair.

The National League. The National League was organized in 1876, and its opening of the season in the professional arena looked more promising for the best interests of professional ball-playing than does the coming season of 1885. For the first time through harmony will prevail in the arena, and every reputable professional club will find itself fully protected in honor and respect for the best interests of the National Association. Unlike the situation in 1884, there is no rival professional association in the field this year to provide a safe retreat for reserve or contract breakers, and in this itself will have a far more important bearing on the club management of the season than would appear on the surface. In 1884 all of the League and American clubs found it difficult, if not impossible, to bring any strong coercion laws to bear on their players in the way of penalties for alleged false service or for acts of insubordination. The situation in 1885 is different. The application of strict club rules in punishing violators of the National Association, which the League and American Association players of the rival Union Association, which has done so much to open the way for the admission of all discontented players to the ranks of the League and American Associations, thus making it difficult to discipline their men, when occasion required, without running the risk of being kicked out of the traces and go to clubs which are likely to do better, and also to get rid of the players of the League and American clubs and the utilization of laws to enforce team work have the power to enforce every rule of the League and American clubs, and the carrying out of every club discipline, and the carrying out of every club discipline, and the carrying out of every club discipline.

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the law, he could say to the parties making the offer: "If you don't give me my price I will jump the reserve and take what I can get in this or that club of the Union Association." Now all this is changed, and if a fair price is offered a reserve player and declines to accept, it is then threatened with being placed on the reserve-list salary of \$1,000, he has two courses of action to pursue: the one being to accept the terms, and the other being to stop playing ball for the season. In other words, the little game of building up certain players played on the League and the American Association clubs in 1884 has been blocked, and the clubs now hold the winning cards in their own hands. Hence, for one thing, we look for far stricter club discipline observed in 1885 than the coming season that ever before, and with this there must come better team-work and greatly improved play, and it is unnecessary to state that the sequence of this improved play to a larger patronage and increased pecuniary profits. Then, too, this season fewer professional Association clubs will take part in the championship campaign of 1885. The maximum figure of eight clubs now prevails in all the existing associations, and thereby the general interest taken in the contests will be greatly increased. In 1884 the associations outside of the National League were too widely to be profitably handled, and this was one reason why there were so many financial failures. Take it altogether, the coming season has every promise of being the most creditable and successful known in the history of professional ball-playing. —[Clinger.]

The Business League. The organization now being formed by the business houses promises to become one of the strongest amateur organizations ever put together in St. Louis. A number of firms have applied to the Baseball for admittance, but the membership will be restricted to about eight teams. Mr. Ad Hargadine, of Crow, Hargadine & Co., is one of the contributors several handsome medals for the competitors. There will be no difference in the playing grounds, as the proprietors of the several parks have placed their grounds at their disposal. Their members will undoubtedly be in excellent and exciting one, and will do much towards stimulating amateur talent.

The Dog Show. A very wise and sensible move has been made by the projectors of the St. Louis Dog Club's Dog Show, which takes place at the Exposition Building April 20 to 24. This was in securing Mr. George Munson to look after matters and to take the general management of the affair. Mr. Munson has exhibited much zeal and energy in sundry enterprises in which he has been engaged, and the selection is peculiarly judicious and timely. The show will be a most interesting and complete one.

Off for Baltimore. Mr. Von der Ahe with Messrs. Cleveland and Barrett did not get away until last night, and will arrive in Baltimore to-morrow morning. Before leaving, Mr. Von der Ahe received a letter from a prominent officer of a leading League Club, in which he stated that the chances for retaining any black listed players or expelled men were very slender, indeed, and the chances were against them. The letter was not to be seen, and there may be some surprises in store for the base-ball patrons.

Diamond Chips. League and American Association clubs will play the same number of games this year. Fourteen per cent. The salary list of the Baltimore Club last year was \$20,000. This season Manager Barrie says it will be \$30,000. The services of professional players have been secured by several teams; Radburn coaching; Lynch, Princeton; Clark, Baltimore; Galt, Hamilton, and Jones, Lang.

Manager Schmitt of the Atlanta Club has added Sullivan and Clark to his team. This gives Atlanta four players of local team, to be completed by three catchers, McVey, Clark and Lang. Joe Batin is to captain and play third base for the Atlanta team. The Atlanta team will be completed by three catchers, McVey, Clark and Lang. Joe Batin is to captain and play third base for the Atlanta team.

Andrews has accepted the terms offered by the Philadelphia Club, and will play with this team. It is probable that he will play with the Philadelphia Club, and will play with this team. It is probable that he will play with the Philadelphia Club, and will play with this team.

The married members of the New Brooklyn team are Cassidy, Hotaling, Swartwood, King, Harkins and Porter. Of the wives team, King, Swartwood and Cassidy are of German parentage; Cassidy, Harkins and Porter are of Irish parentage, and Terry, Harkins, Porter and King are of French Canadian birth. Cassidy will captain the team and Terry will be the pitcher. Harkins will play pitcher and catch in the majority of the April games.

President Diddlelock, of the Eastern League, says: "The national agreement last year gave us the privilege of locating a club in Baltimore. The repeal of this section is certainly a great blow to our club, and to a certain extent breaks up our dream. Our committee will visit Baltimore to see Mr. Barrie. The resolution we adopted is perfectly proper at this time, as if the National Association is to be amended, it should be done at one time. We do not ask for any more than the National League. The American Association will not do it. I do not anticipate that there will be any trouble after the matter shall have become thoroughly understood."

Turf Notes. The Supreme Court in Tennessee has decided that a trainer has a lien upon a horse for services and expense in preparing for races. Cappelino, the steelpole-chaser, has been sold to W. Hurland, G. Hove and two other gentlemen for \$7,000. The horse will leave Ireland, and will be trained at the English residence of Mr. Hurland. By the burning of a barn on his ranch near Cherokee, W. T. February 18, Harry Oelrichs of New York lost an imported stallion valued at \$15,000, a Cleveland bay worth \$4,000, three other horses and a number of carriages.

Upson receiving satisfaction that suit was about to be instituted to recover \$100 lost by Michael McKenney, aged 7 years, in betting on cards at Sheephead Bay and Brighton Beach. The book-makers were had and the tickets made up and refunded the amount McKenney had embezzled the money from his mother.

Bole has been quite well treated for the big spring handicap in England, being asked to carry but 115 pounds in the Newmarket Handicap, a mile and half to be run April 24. Ken having the top weight 130 pounds, while for the Great Metropolitan Stakes, two miles and a quarter (run April 28) his weight is 124 pounds. He is taking light and has a favorable opinion concerning him being published.

Amos S. Chamberlin, proprietor for thirty-five years past of the Bull's Head Saloon, in East Twenty-fourth street, New York, died suddenly of heart disease on February 18, aged 74 years. He had been suffering for some time with heart trouble, and returned home from a visit to his wife, who had been previously and appeared in excellent health. Many years ago he was United States stage coachman, and subsequently was superintendent of the old stockyards in Robinson street, now Park place.

A telegram dated February 19 says: "Sporting men have realized to them by an announcement in the Baltimore Herald that the Baltimore Club is to be reformed. The number announced that the stewards of the Jockey Club have finally given notice to the Baltimore Club that they will not be allowed to race at the Jockey Club track. It is believed that the Baltimore Club will be reformed, and that the Jockey Club will be reformed. The number announced that the stewards of the Jockey Club have finally given notice to the Baltimore Club that they will not be allowed to race at the Jockey Club track. It is believed that the Baltimore Club will be reformed, and that the Jockey Club will be reformed."

Gymnasium Notes. W. B. Evans has accompanied the difficult feat of making a "ball stand" on the pony parallel. C.

Sam Sampson and Frank Cowan had a small class of their own in light and heavy dumb-bell lifting.

The workmen have commenced putting up the electric light in the hand-ball alley and promise to have it ready for play Monday.

O. B. Starkevitch has settled down to steady exercises. He has developed flippers, and may be seen in tights and spangles at the next exhibition.

The excitement of the last exhibition is over. The teachers' class has settled down to hard work again, and meet every Wednesday as before. E. Pilling thinks he will have it in about a year. Al Nigman is after it also; he is putting in heavy strokes on the dumb bells and the box bar.

Professor Riley has one very promising pupil in sparring. Mr. H. A. Bush, is a good counter boxer with his right, but stays in the background too much. Bush is a cautious sparrer; but Delano and he did some clever work at the last exhibition.

Bob Whitmore is so much of a hand ball player that he has nearly forsaken the ground floor. Bob is a neat ball player, and is sometimes counted able to take part in the matches with the "stars." He is a very graceful and active player without trying to do all the playing of the side he belongs to.

Many young men whose names often appear in the society items have renewed their allegiance to the gymnasium. They say the same thing—"that they have had enough of parties and amusements, and they propose to devote a large part of their time and devotion more to improving their physical condition."

On class nights last week the Gymnasium had large crowds in attendance. E. R. Schran, the old teacher, put in an appearance Thursday and his coming was hailed with much enthusiasm. He was received with hearty applause. He led the first class on the horse and side parallel, the pupils practicing him with close attention. E. R. Schran led the third class on pole jumping and rope climbing. His Schran's class was very good in the parallel and horse. Rowland Switzer had the fourth class on rope climbing and pole leaping. The members manifested great interest in all the exercises.

Sporting Sundries. The Meyer-Greenfield match last night at Industrial Hall, Philadelphia, proved to be one of the best of the season. The battle was decided a draw, although public opinion was that Greenfield had the best of it.

Both Paddy Ryan and Dominick McCaffrey having repeatedly expressed an all-consuming desire to meet Sullivan and Barrett, they were arranged for a battle which was that a retaliation for a blow O'Donnell stabbed "Rocky" in the head. At this juncture Ryan was taken to court next morning Moore refused to make a complaint and he was discharged.

Preparations are now being made by members of the Athletic Association at Little Rock for largely increased interest in basketball. A number of crews have been formed for practice, and it is expected that the club will buy some more boats. The club will buy some more boats. The club will buy some more boats.

Bicycle Notes. The Ramblers will have over twenty members after the next meeting. Tuesday afternoon they are going to ride to Des Moines as soon as the thaw gets a little more general.

Cola Stone, champion of St. Louis, has given up his sixty-inch wheel, being convinced that he can make faster time on a smaller one. At the meeting he will ride a fifty-eight inch Victor thirty pounds weight.

E. C. Klumpstein is developing into a great fancy rider, and is probably the best in the city. When Prince Wells, the fancy rider of Louisville, comes here to the meet, it would be an interesting thing to see the two ride for a medal.

The bicyclists are looking forward with interest to the grand race meeting in the city, May 28. The races will be held on the Fair Grounds, and the track when will be accurately measured for the occasion. A letter was received from the Chicago racing men, saying that he would be on hand. Other outsiders who will probably be present are from the 14th Minnesota and Prince Wells and Cias, Jenkins of Louisville. The track racing will be a grand affair.

Small Fire. Shortly after 6 o'clock this morning a one-story frame building owned and occupied by Charles Miller, and located on the west side of Third street between Grundy and Fillmore, was discovered to be on fire. Officer Forester turned on an alarm from No. 12, about 8:30 a. m. The fire was extinguished. The origin of the fire is not known.

Criminal Notes. Today Coroner Edelbert swore to an information charging Edward Ballard with murder in the first degree for killing the Chicago musician and literary programme was presented.

The Enterprise Social Club will give their reception to the St. Louis Fair Association, and the Moore society, Tuesday evening, March 17, 1885.

A VICTIM OF PLOTTERS.

Mr. Eugene N. Belt's Desertion of His Beautiful Young Wife.

Baltimore's Social Sensation—A Blatant Union of May and December Abruptly Terminated—The Successful Scheming of a Rich Old Man's Relatives—An Old Scandal Revived.

